

## Educational Opportunities



A complete range of educational opportunities, from preschool to post graduate studies in both the private and public sectors, are available in Chula Vista and the surrounding areas. Within the City boundaries, primary and secondary public schools are managed by the Chula Vista Elementary School District and the Sweetwater Union High School District.

Chula Vista is home to Southwestern College and National University and is within commuting distance to several four-year universities and research centers as well as numerous specialized training and education centers.

The City is developing plans for an innovative University Park and Research Center (UPRC) to be located on a 1500 acre site overlooking lower Otay Lake and adjacent to the U.S. Olympic Training Center. The UPRC will bring together the comprehensive resources of distinguished public and private universities, research institutes and laboratories, and related business and technology firms that will collaborate to provide an important regional resource for all of San Diego County and Northern Baja California.

### PUBLIC ELEMENTARY EDUCATION (Pre-K through Grade 6)

#### Chula Vista Elementary School District

Serving students from Pre-K through Grade 6  
84 East J Street  
Chula Vista, CA 91910  
(619) 425-9600 • [www.cvesd.k12.ca.us](http://www.cvesd.k12.ca.us)

#### 2005-2006 DATA

26,751 students  
2,677 full time CVESD employees

43 schools including 6 charter and 4 accelerated schools. Seven additional schools planned.

Student/teacher ratio: Grades K-3, 20:1  
Grades 4-6, 30:1

Calendar year: Minimum 180 instructional days;  
both year round and traditional  
school calendars

The Chula Vista Elementary School District (CVESD) offers a wide range of challenging educational programs. The instructional program meets all state requirements and includes Art, Health, History/Social Science, Language Arts (Reading, Writing, Speaking, Listening), Mathematics, Science, Physical Education, and Visual and Performing Arts.

Partnerships with the U. S. Olympic Training Center and the Chula Vista Nature Center offer students unique study programs. The state provides an approved list of basic and supplementary textbooks. These, plus additional materials and school supplies, are provided by the CVESD. Each school

has classroom libraries and a library/media center with at least 7,740 books. Nonprint materials such as CDs, videocassettes, audiotapes, study prints, and kits are available to students, parents, and teaching staff.



SOURCE: Chula Vista Elementary School District

## PUBLIC SECONDARY SCHOOLS (Grades 7 through 12)

### Sweetwater Union High School District

Serving students Grades 7-12 and adult learners  
1130 Fifth Avenue  
Chula Vista, CA 91911  
(619) 691-5500 • www.suhsd.k12.ca.us

#### 2005-2006 DATA

39,000 students 7-12; 30,000 adult students  
3,976 full time SUHSD employees

10 middle schools, 1 junior high (grades 7-9),  
12 senior high schools, 1 continuation high  
school, 4 adult schools, 1 alternative school  
for grades 7-12. New facilities planned  
within the next decade include 1 grade 7-12  
school, 1 middle school, and 1 senior high.

Calendar year: minimum 180 instructional  
days; both year round and traditional school  
calendars

The Sweetwater Union High School District (SUHSD) is the largest secondary school district in California. The curriculum provides challenging courses that prepare students for college and/or careers. The four core content areas are aligned to state content standards and testing. SUHSD schools offer a variety of elective courses as well as programs for students with special needs. Specialized training through the district's academy programs include, among others, travel and tourism, business leadership, criminal justice, biotechnology, and creative and performing arts. School to Career programs, clubs, athletics, visual and performing arts, and student government opportunities round out the educational opportunities in the SUHSD.

#### Adult and Continuing Education

This award-winning division of the SUHSD is a model in the state because of its excellence in key areas: English as a Second Language (ESL) programs, vocational and professional skills development, literacy and other general education courses that help students prepare for a high school diploma or General Education Development (GED). Parent education and personal development courses are also offered.

## HIGHER EDUCATION

### Southwestern College

900 Otay Lakes Road • Chula Vista, CA 91910 • (619) 421-6700 • www.swc.cc.ca.us  
Southwestern College offers two-year programs for associate degrees and transfer credit in a range of disciplines. The College's Small Business Development and International Trade Center functions as a resource for small business and offers business counseling, technical assistance and networking resources. Non-credit courses designed to enhance personal and professional development are offered through the college's Continuing Education Department.

### National University

660 Bay Blvd. • Chula Vista, CA 91910 • (619) 563-7415 • www.nu.edu  
National University has several campuses in the San Diego area. Chula Vista's campus offers a variety of undergraduate, graduate, teaching credential, and extended learning programs as well as online degree options. National University's evening and weekend courses and flexible scheduling provide excellent educational opportunities for the local business community.

### San Diego State University (SDSU)

5500 Campanile Drive • San Diego, CA 92182 • (619) 594-5200 • www.sdsu.edu  
Part of the 23-campus California State University system, SDSU awards bachelors, masters, and doctoral degrees in numerous disciplines and maintains a strong research program.

### University of San Diego (USD)

5998 Alcalá Park • San Diego, CA 92110-2492 • (619) 260-4600 • www.sandiego.edu  
The University of San Diego is a private Catholic institution that includes the College of Arts & Sciences, School of Business Administration, School of Education, School of Law and Hahn School of Nursing and Health Science. The University offers over 50 graduate and undergraduate degrees.

### Point Loma Nazarene University (PLNU)

3900 Lomaland Drive • San Diego, CA 92106 • (619) 849-2200 • www.ptloma.edu  
An institution of the Church of the Nazarene, PLNU offers undergraduate degrees in the Colleges of Arts & Sciences, Social Sciences & Professional Studies, and Education. Graduate programs are offered throughout California including at the main campus in San Diego.

### University of California, San Diego (UCSD)

9500 Gilman Drive • La Jolla, CA 92093 • (858) 532-2230 • www.ucsd.edu  
One of only 10 campuses in the University of California system, UCSD has six undergraduate colleges, and awards masters and doctoral degrees in a variety of specialized disciplines. Research and development programs are extensive at UCSD.

### California State University, San Marcos (CSUSM)

333 S. Twin Oaks Valley Rd. • San Marcos CA 92096 • (760) 750-4000 • www.csusm.edu  
CSUSM, one of the 23 California State University campuses, offers both undergraduate and graduate programs in the College of Arts & Sciences, College of Education and College of Business Administration.